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. . . General Chaffee's declaration that China does not want Christian missionaries in her borders ought to have been accompanied by the further declaration that no self-respecting country would want within it missionaries from countries that had made a business of exploiting it as General Chaffee is now in favor of exploiting the Philippine islands.

. . . Speaking before the "Mothers' and Fathers' Club" of Boston on April 27th, Mary A. Livermore said that "the advance of a nation comes through its homes, not through its battleships, its great trusts or its corporations."

. . . Candid, friendly conferences, during the past month, between the employers and the employees of two great railroads, the Wabash in the West and the New York, New Haven and Hartford in the East, have prevented what probably would have been two big and disastrous strikes.

. . . Rev. Reuben Thomas, D. D., of the Harvard Congregational Church, Brookline, Mass., said on "Patriots' Day": "The most genuine patriots in any country are those who will submit to obloquy and persecution rather than tell lies about their country for the sake of peace."

. . . Rev. Franklin Hamilton, pastor of the First M. E. Church, Boston, said on "Patriots' Day": "There is a patriotism which finds expression in strife, and struggle, and also a larger patriotism which finds expression in brotherly kindness and fraternal love. From the teaching of Jesus we learn that one kind will be swallowed up in the other."

. . . The *New Age* thinks that what President Roosevelt said in Chicago about our wanting a powerful and efficient navy as a guarantee of peace would better have been left unsaid. "Do we not rather want a powerful public opinion in favor of peace and goodwill?" it asks. It ought not to be necessary in our day to ask such a question as that.

. . . Secretary Root has at last, under the great pressure brought upon him, felt compelled to make public the parts of the report of General Miles, on conditions in the Philippines, which relate to the cruelties practiced upon Filipinos by United States officers and men. Not much that is new is revealed, but his statements corroborate the many reports that have otherwise reached us, and tend to deepen and fix the sense of shame and horror which all true Americans feel over these infamies, which there is not the least doubt now that the War Department has deliberately attempted to conceal, or to minimize and in a measure to justify.

. . . Poor Red Cross Society! A new Cross society of some sort will soon be needed to pour "oil and wine" into the bruises of the Red one, and to patch up its broken noses and limbs.

. . . "Speak softly and carry a big stick," a sentence uttered by the President in one of his recent Western speeches as giving the keynote of the policy which the United States should pursue in relation to foreign nations, is an utterance which it is very difficult to construe into anything good. It ought never to be heard again on American soil, unless uttered to condemn it.

. . . Queen Wilhelmina has appointed former Governor Barge of Curacao and Dr. Filz, former president of the high court of the Dutch Indies, as commissioners to adjust the French and Belgian claims against Venezuela.

. . . Rev. George Dana Boardman, D. D., of Philadelphia, whose death is announced from Atlantic City, N. J., just as we go to press, was one of the best men that the American pulpit has known. Able, scholarly, broadminded and generous, gentle and unassuming, but loyal and fearless, he contributed, by his life, his ministry and his books, more than most preachers do to a just and full interpretation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He was a man of the strongest and most genuine peace principles, believing that war in our day is always wrong, and he took advantage of every suitable opportunity to promote goodwill and brotherhood, which lay very near his heart. He was for many years a vice-president of the American Peace Society, and we felt greatly honored to have him as a friend and coworker.

### Where Will the War be Next?

BY EDWIN L. SABIN.

'Tis peace, they say, o'er the Afric plains;

'Tis peace on the Carib coast;

Peace in the Orient islands reigns;

Quiet each ardent host:

But armies and fleets await employ —

With rumors the air is vexed;

Aye, mother, cling to your only boy!

Where will the war be next?

Peace — and the German eagle peers

And opens his greedy maw!

Peace — and the bear of the bleak frontiers

Stretches with greedy paw!

Peace — but the ships of steel increase

And statesmen watch, perplexed!

What is the thing we folk term "peace"?

Where will the war be next?

Plan, you wise, for a worldwide court,

Where nations shall plead their right —

And this the pitiful, sole resort

When honor or lust says "Fight"?

When "On!" is pealed from the trumpet's throat,

And "Glory" the rifle's text,

And the flags high float to the drum's stern note? —

Where will the war be next?

— From *Leslie's Weekly*.

### An Effective Diplomatic Service as an Agency for the Promotion of International Peace.

BY GEORGE F. SEWARD, EX-MINISTER TO CHINA.

It must be evident to the most careless observer that to-day in our land, as well as in other lands, sentiment adverse to war, and in particular to unnecessary war, is strong. The tendency is to make national growth depend upon progressive, peaceful development. Wars